The collaborator has agreed to supply free of cost all modification material to bring the telephones in line with the agreed specifications. In addition, the collaborator has agreed to give a 5% discount on the FOB value for 90,000 kits supplied in the second batch. With this, no financial loss is anticipated.

With the changes in technology, it has now been decided that I.T.I. will not produce the rotary telephones, but only fully electronic instruments. The collaborator, M/S FACE Standard, will provide the necessary know-how without any additional charge for production of fully electronic telephone instruments. The collaborator has also agreed to take back all capital goods rendered surplus with the decision to switch over from rotary to electronic instruments. The samples of the electronic instruments are under evaluation.

Increasing number of accidents in Air India

*207. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of accidents in Air India has lately increased due to shortage of maintenance staff and proper training;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such shortage of staff; and

(c) whether any review has been done to locate the reason for such accidents and measures taken to rectify the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Institute of Medical Sciences at Nagpur

*208. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has requested the Central Government for setting up of an Institute of Medical Sciences at Nagpur;

(b) if so, what decision has been taken by Government in this regard; and

(c) by when Government propose to set up such an Institute?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) A request was received in September, 1985 from the then Chief Minister of Maharashtra that the Government of India might finance the project for establishment of a Postgraduate Institute at Nagpur.

(b) A reply was sent in November, 1985 by the former Union Health Minister that there is no proposal in seventh five year plan for setting up a central Postgraduate institute in any state, excepting the scheme for establishment of a North Eastern Regional Institute of Medical Sciences at Shillong.

(c) Does not arise.

Inclusion of Kabaddi in Asiad 1990

*209. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: SHRI KISHOR MEHTA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by Government to get Kabaddi included in the 1990-Asian Games to be held in Beijing; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) The specific inclusion of any sports discipline in the 1990 Asian Games to be held in Beijing is to be taken up by the concerned National Olympic Committee i.e., the Indian Olympic Association in the case of India. As a result of efforts made, Kabaddi has been approved by the Olympic Council of Asia for Asian Games generally. However, the inclusion of a particular sports discipline in any given Asian Games, such as the XI Asian Games to be held in Beijing, is the prerogative of the host organisation, which selects the final list of Games from amongst the games having general approval of the Olympic Council of Asia. Both the Olympic Council of Asia and the Indian Olympic Association have requested the XI Asian Games Organising Committee to include Kabaddi as one of the games in the XI Asian Games.

Working women's hostel

*211. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up 300 working women's hostels in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir. 300 additional Working Women's Hostels are proposed to be started during the Seventh Five Year Plan Period.

(b) Under the Scheme, assistance is provided to the extent of 50 per cent of the cost of land and 75 per cent of the cost of construction of the building. Assistance is also available for purchase of buildings excluding furniture and fixtures.

Representation against irregularities in salt transportation by Railways

*212. SHRI SAGAR RAYKA:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received any representation from Gujarat Salt Federation regarding inrregularities and corrupt practices in salt transportation by Railways;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken to prevent the corrupt practices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Gujarat Salt Federation have alleged that BOX wagons of salt booked from stations in Gujart are being overloaded.

(c) Vigilance Department has been asked to conduct checks.

National fitness corps

*213. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) when was the National Fitness Corps started and when was it wounded up;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have been incurring expenditure for it even after it was wounded up; and